

~~SECRET~~

## Wartime Vulnerabilities of the Soviet Bloc

### I. Vulnerability of the Soviet Bloc to A-Bomb Attack

#### A. Economic and Military Effect of A-Bomb Attack 1/

1. On the military and economic capability to wage war during the first six months following attack, with special reference to the ability of the armed forces to overrun Western Europe and the Middle East.
2. On the capability to retaliate with A-Bomb attacks on the US and the UK
3. On the military and economic capability to wage war <sup>(Six months)</sup> after the attack, with special reference to the capabilities to use the total resources of the Eurasian land mass.

#### B. Political and Psychological Effect of an A-Bomb Attack

1. On the internal security of the USSR.
2. On the internal security of the Satellite states as it relates to their ties to the USSR.
3. On the will of the Soviet people to resist.

### II. Vulnerability of the Soviet Bloc economy to Economic Warfare

- #### A. Effect on the economic capabilities for war of measures designed to
- reduce Soviet imports (export controls, blockade, navicert, foreign funds control etc.) 2/

DOCUMENT NO. 2  
 NO CHANGE IN CLASS. ☒  
☐ DECLASSIFIED  
 CLASS. CHANGED TO: TS S C 1991  
 NEXT REVIEW DATE:  
 AUTH: HR 70-2  
 DATE: 12 Feb 81 REVIEWER: 009256

- 1/ This can be based largely on the study prepared by the Target Research Branch of the Air Targets Division of A-2 -- Study No. 245 of 7-27-50
- 2/ This represents a modification of NIE-22 to take account of wartime conditions.

~~SECRET~~

**SECRET**

II. B. Effect on economic capabilities for war of unconventional measures designed to disrupt the economy (<sup>sabotage,</sup>  dilution of the currency etc.) 3/

III. Vulnerability of the Soviet bloc to Psychological Warfare

- A. Effect on the internal security of the bloc
- B. Effect on the capabilities of its fighting forces.

IV. Vulnerability of the Soviet bloc to organized guerrilla resistance

- A. Effect on military capabilities
- B. Effect on internal security

V. Vulnerability of the Soviet bloc to BW and RW

- A. Effect on Military capabilities
- B. Effect on internal security.

VI. Conclusions

- A. Estimate of the wartime Vulnerability of the USSR and ~~its~~ <sup>its</sup> Satellites to the combined employment of the above measures.
- B. Estimate of Soviet views regarding its own vulnerability.

3/ If it is ~~is~~ agreed that estimates on this sensitive subject should be published there are studies which have already been prepared on the subject.

**SECRET**